

IT'S NO PLACE FOR A GOALKEEPER!



RUMANIA TO TEST VIC SIDE

The Victorian State side must face the Rumanian visitors on Saturday night without confidence in their chances of forcing a win.

For although a Combined XI did well last week against the tourists in the first half, the Rumanians are sure to produce their best form for the full 90 minutes against the cream of Victorian soccer talent.

Few people would completely discount Victoria against any touring side, but our chances must look slim when you consider that —

By **Alistair Cook**

Combined side from Footscray - J.U.S.T. came only 24 hours after their tough game in Adelaide.

• The Victorian squad has only had

one serious training night together this year (last night).

• Visiting overseas sides generally perform better if they are given a second opportunity to play in Melbourne.

Likely teams for the match are:

Victoria: Reilly, Utjesenovic, Scott, Micic, Rice, Kinnell, Zoraja, MacKay, Rogers, Gorie, Vojtek.

Rumania: Adamache, Ivanescu, Bodin, Pescaru, Popovici, Cocis, Decu, Both, Grozea, Tufan, Kanno.

Middle Park on Sunday afternoon was no place for a goalkeeper — especially one wearing a Victoria shirt! Jimmy Milisavljeic (Footscray J.U.S.T., left) and Sandy Henderson (Hakoah), tried their hardest . . . but the result was a clear-cut 6-1 victory for the visiting Rumanian national side.

Visitors leave it late

After a poor first half, the Rumanian tourists scored an easy 6-1 victory at Middle Park on Saturday.

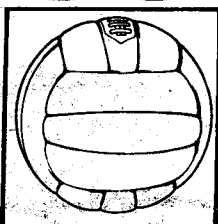
The Victorian team was drawn from players of Footscray J.U.S.T., S.M. Hellas and Hakoah.

Although the yellow-shirted Rumanians swept through the local defence in the second half, they did not thrill the crowd in the same way as other visiting teams.

It is difficult to level serious criticism at the tourists in view of their easy win, but in the first half the Victorians looked to have an edge in enthusiasm, if not in skill.

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USF PLANS BUSY SEASON

Victorian Soccer Federation fixtures for the rest of the season are scheduled to hold fans' interest for the rest of the season.

The VSF has announced the fixtures, which are in addition to this weekend's game against the Rumanian touring side.

The whole line-up of games arranged for the State side is:—

Sunday, March 8: v. Moscow Dynamo, in Melbourne.

Monday, March 30 (Easter Monday): v. South Australia, in Melbourne.

Sunday, April 5: v. N.S.W., in Melbourne.

Wednesday, April 29 (Public Holiday): v. N.S.W., in Sydney.

Monday, June 15 (Queen's Birthday): v. South Australia, in Adelaide.

No information is yet to hand but there will be at least one more game against a touring team, arranged by the Australian Soccer Federation.

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CHAMPAGNE SOCCER!

Czechs sparkle to beat Juventus 4-1

Czechoslovakian club Inter-Bratislava really turned on the style in beating a game, but outclassed, Juventus 4-1 at Olympic Park on Saturday night.

As expected, the technical superiority of the Slovaks — plus their great edge in speed, strength and fitness — proved too much for our players who crumbled after a bright showing in the first half.

Juventus, however, must be congratulated in doing something that few other Australian clubs have had the courage to do — that is, matching an entire local club side against an overseas touring side.

At least with this game local enthusiasts were able to gauge with some accuracy the difference between top-class club soccer here and that in Europe.

Too often when overseas club sides have toured Australia either representative State sides or composite club sides have been pitted against them.

Struggling

The comparison, of course, was a foregone conclusion after only a few minutes. Withering runs by the Inter right wing pair of Levicky and Szikora told the tale of things to come.

Not only did it become clear that the visitors were tremendously skilful, but that Juventus would be struggling to hold out for very long.

To Juventus' credit they did well up to half-time with some intelligent and open soccer which caught the Czechs napping a few times.

Alistair Sandison, on the left-wing, proved particularly dangerous. While Kinnell in defence matched the Bratislavans in experience with his cool play.

Changes

After half-time, however, Inter-Bratislava took over. Had their incentive been keener, there is no doubt they could have added another couple of goals.

Juventus did not help their own cause by the many changes they made. There were no fewer than four substitutions during the game, and this must have had an unsettling effect on the whole performance.

One of the few times local fans could rejoice was when burly

VISIT TO RUMANIA?

Promoter Harry Beitzel, who is sponsoring the visit of the Rumanian soccer side, said on Sunday the visitors had issued an invitation for an Australian soccer side to go to Rumania.

Beitzel revealed that Tudor Vasile, a Government official accompanying the team on tour, had made the offer on his arrival in Sydney.

Dino De Marchi scored Juventus' consolation goal late in the second half.

Details

JUVENTUS 1 INTER-BRATISLAVA 4.

JUVENTUS: Reilly (Harby), Della Rocca, Lakey, Kinnell, Irvine, Goodwin, Frost, Salisbury (Webster), B. Thomson (De Marchi), McCol (Docherty), Sandison.

INTER-BRATISLAVA: Majtheni, Dinovski, Luprich (Gal), Petras, Solin, Jurco (Skladowski), Levicky, Szikora (Krnac), Oblozinsky, Daucik, Ondrasek.

SCORERS: Juventus — De Marchi, 67th min. Inter-Bratislava — Daucik, 39th, 65th and 77th mins; Krnac 50th min.

REFEREE: R. Lamb. Attendance: At Olympic Park, 4995.

— Alistair Cook



—Photograph by Serge Walter.

N.S.W. down 3-0

Inter Bratislava kept its record intact by winning 3-0 against New South Wales at Wentworth Park in Sydney on Sunday.

Currently in second place in the Czech first division championship, Inter Bratislava again proved a classy, well-drilled combination. The team scored a snap goal after only 24 minutes.

play, and added goals in the 22nd and 36th minutes.

Big inside left Mikulas Krnac opened the scoring when he gathered a well-judged centre by Petras and drove the ball past Ron Corry, the N.S.W. goal-keeper.

Petras again showed his skill as a ball distributor when he positioned Szikora for Bratislava's second goal.

Late in the half, Krnac brought up his side's trio of goals by weaving through the defence and slipping the ball over the diving Corry.

The Czechs went into the second half with a handy 3-0 lead and were content to play the match out without taking too many chances.

Sorry!

Because of our slow postal service, GEORGE YELLAND'S REPORT FROM SWITZERLAND was received too late for publication.

It will appear next week.

Rumanians leave it late

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Again half-time changes in the home side weakened our challenge.

However unimpressive the Rumanians looked before the interval, they were able to coast to a comfortable win.

Protests

Generally it was a very tame affair, despite the Rumanian excitement following the controversial equaliser by Ulysses Kokkinos.

The Hellas player appeared to handle in going through the Rumanian defence, and when referee Dennis Wooten signalled a goal this provoked the strong protests of all.

The Rumanian attack, led by inside-left Marin Tufan, looked aggressive in their breakaways.

But, in the first half at least, the local defence was capable enough.

By comparison, the visitors' defence was superbly marshalled by sweeper

Nicolae Pescaru and although David Gorrie and Dan Zoraja had a couple of easy first half scoring chances they soon settled down to a steady game.

After half-time the Victorian substitutions considerably opened up our defence and allowed the Rumanian forwards to run riot.

VICTORIAN COMBINED XI:

Henderson (Hakoah), Utjesonovic (J.U.S.T.), O'Neill (Hakoah), Micic (J.U.S.T.), Rice (J.U.S.T.), Baker (Hakoah), Zoraja (J.U.S.T.), Kokkinos (Hellas), Stanekovic (J.U.S.T.), Ackery (Hellas) and Gorrie (Hellas).

Kamrhopoulos replaced Kokkinos after 30 mins. Milosavljevic (J.U.S.T.) replaced Henderson, Rasmir (J.U.S.T.) replaced Baker, and Fry (Hakoah)

replaced Gorrie at half-time.

RUMANIA: Adamache, Ivanescu, Bodin, Pescaru, Popovici, Cocis, Dacu, Both, Grozea, Tufan and Kanno.

Anca replaced Both and Oblomeno replaced Grozea at half-time.

SCORERS: Victoria XI—Kokkinos, 23 min. Rumania—Tufan 25, 58 and 87 mins.; Popovici 62 and 76 mins.; Grozea 38 mins. (pen.).

Referee: D. Wooten. Attendance: 12,200.

Rumania beats SA

Rumania scored a narrow 1-0 win over South Australia in Adelaide on Saturday night.

Marin Tufan, the Rumanian inside-left who scored three goals against a Victorian Combined XI at Middle Park on Sunday, got the only goal of the match.

SHINING STARS

Two of the world's shining stars today grace the pages of Soccer News. At left is Dragoslav Sekularac, the former Yugoslav mastermind, who is now playing in Bogota, Columbia, Sth. America. His companion is centre-forward Sandro Mazzola, of Inter-Milan. He's the son of a famous father, Valentin Mazzola, who skipped Italy five times before he died in the Turin FC air crash in 1949.

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LOOKS AT THE AMPOL CUP



If ever you thought a goalkeeper's life was easy, just have a word with Footscray-J.U.S.T. goalkeeper Jimmy Millsavljic. He was in action in the Ampol Cup game against Hakoah on Friday night — and he'll tell you it was no picnic! But J.U.S.T. ran out 3-2 winners, to make it all worthwhile.

With one exception, the semi-finalists for the 1970 Ampol Cup could be known after tomorrow night's matches.

Footscray JUST are as good as home and hosed, Polonia will join them if they can beat Croatia, and Sth. Melbourne Hellas will join JUST if they can knock off Wilhelmina.

If Polonia do win, then Juventus — who meet Croatia in the last qualifying round — would look a good bet to make up the four.

But this is all speculation — and Wilhelmina and Croatia will go flat out to upset this possible conclusion.

WE COULD KNOW TOMORROW

Fourth - round fixtures are:

7.45 p.m. Croatia v. Polonia (referee Alexandrou; linesmen Finnegan and Sarto; 9.15 p.m. Wilhelmina v. S.M. Hellas (referee Harrison; linesmen Mellings and Fetterplace).

Formidable

Sensing they now have a real chance of winning back the cup last won in 1964, Polonia should prove formidable opposition for 1968 winners Croatia.

But the Croatia defence, not nearly as strong as it could be with the exclusion of Duncan McKay and Billy McArthur, will have to keep a tight check on Polonia strikers Henry Siwka and Jim Malloy.

By the same token, the youthful Polonia rearguard may get into all sorts of trouble if Jim McKay, Billy Vojtek and Billy McIntyre, etc., get into top gear. I pick Croatia.

Major win

The Wilhelmina - South Melbourne Hellas clash looks no easier to predict.

Wilhelmina are never an easy side to beat and the fact that they lost narrowly to J.U.S.T. in their opening game while Hellas virtually got a gift of the points against Hakoah is a

good reason to anticipate a hard game.

Hellas have considerably strengthened two previously weak positions — centre half and centre forward — and have Ulysses Kokkinos back in attack to give them a more formidable look than Wilhelmina.

Team selections from:

CROATIA: Kovacek, Bot, Gunn, Rau, Williams, Rajber, McIntyre, Vojtek, Armour, J. McKay, Hargreaves, Davies, Symington.

POLONIA: Szalinski, Knot, Czerniecki, Millar, Olinowski, Czarnik, Widera, Closs, Siwka, Malloy, Plaskota, E. Wrobel.

WILHELMINA: Kennedy, Pye, O'Toole, Pygall, Bibby, Ward, Bunce, Edgeley, Torcque, Spickerman, Tekkas, Feenstra, Luckhurst.

S.M. HELLAS: Stephens, Kelly, Kyriazis, Bedford, Walker, High, Kokkinos, Kamboropoulos, Armstrong, Ackersley, Gorrie, Russell, Aprikidas.

J.U.S.T. almost home

An unconvincing 3-2 win by JUST over Hakoah has almost assured the Footscray team of a place in the Ampol Cup semi-finals. At the same time it killed off any further Hakoah interest in the competition.

J.U.S.T. were a goal up after only two minutes, and increased the lead 20 minutes later before the reshuffled Hakoah had settled down.

Six minutes before half-time Hakoah reduced the arrears and 15 minutes after the restart were on level terms.

Despite a late Hakoah rally, it was J.U.S.T. who grabbed the winner — and both points — quarter of an hour from the end.

J.U.S.T. played it too cool and too casual and almost paid the penalty. Hakoah improved on their initial performance with their defence strengthened by John O'Neill.

Juventus kept their semi hopes alive with an easy, 3-0 win over Lions, only a shadow of the side which fared so well in their opening game.

The first half was even, but in the second period the writing was on the wall for Lions.

Their square defensive game and offside tactics provided the openings for Juventus to rattle on three goals.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 3, HAKOAH 2.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Millsavljic, Evans, Rasmir, Utjesenovic, Rice, Cirkovic, Zoraja, Micic, Lukic, Stankovic, Mraciniewicz.

HAKOAH: Henderson, Douglas, Baker, Panther, O'Neill, Stenhouse, Fry, Dragojevic, Clarey, Gadsby, Lane.

SCORERS: J.U.S.T. (Lukic, Micic, Zoraja), Hakoah (Panther, Dragojevic).

Kinnell did just as he wanted

By Joe Major

George Kinnell did what he liked on Friday to score eight out of 10 points in a new award for the best Ampol Cup player.

Kinnell, who lined up as sweeper, left the defensive job to Sandy Irvine and continuously went upfield to split the Lions' defence.

But when he was needed in defence, there he was — solid, unbeatable.

His fine play strengthened the Juventus midfield and ensured a good supply for the forwards.

In the 43rd minute he sent a 30-yarder into the goal-mouth, where Bryan Thomson headed home.

Kinnell's eight points brings his total to 14 — only one point behind leader Tommy Stankovic (Footscray J.U.S.T.).

Stankovic, although closely marked and playing below the match-winning form he showed against Wilhelmina, still scored six points.

Typical

Six players scored seven votes: Frank Micic, Stankovic, Zoraja (J.U.S.T.), Dennis Panther (Hakoah),

Ian McCarthy (Lions), Gareth Salisbury and Bryan Thomson (Juventus).

Micic played his typical midfield game and impressed with the "Micic charge" through opposing defenders. He even scored.

Zoraja was always dangerous in attack. He set up the first goal for Lukic in the second minute and scored himself after Hakoah had equalised.

Panther, playing only his second game for Hakoah, caught the eye with long, pin-point passes and good aerial work. He, too, scored.

McCarthy ran himself into the ground trying to give his forwards enough opportunities to score.

Under-rated

He was the busiest man on the field, and was dangerous until the final minute. But there was no-one to capitalise on his good work.

Salisbury is one of the most under-rated men in State League.

Usually a linkman, he spent most of Friday's game on the wing. His long balls into the area smashed the Lions' defence to pieces.

Bryan Thomson also

played a big part in the destruction, thinking quickly in organised forward moves and scoring two good goals.

How they scored:

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Millsavljic 5, Evans 6, Rasmir 5, Utjesenovic 6, Rice 6, Cirkovic 5, Zoraja 7, Micic 7, Lukic 6, Stankovic 6, Mraciniewicz 5.

HAKOAH: Henderson 5 (Mur 5), Douglas 6, Baker 5, Panther 7, O'Neill 5, Stenhouse 5, Fry 6, Dragojevic 6, Clarey 5, Gadsby 5, Lane 5 (Sansom 5).

LIONS: Evans 6, Kulyk 5, Schwartz 5, Murney 5, Roseweir 5, Bartley 5, Starzak 5, McCarthy 7, Smart 5, Horner 5, Keenan 5.

JUVENTUS: Reilly 6, Della Rocca 5, Bobby Thomson 5, Kinnell 8, Irvine 6, Webster 5, de Marchi 5, Salisbury 7, Bryan Thomson 7, Docherty 6, Epifano 5 (McColl 5).

Leaders: Stankovic (J.U.S.T.) 15, Kinnell (J) 14, Utjesenovic (J.U.S.T.), McCarthy (Lions), Irvine (J) 13; Zoraja (J.U.S.T.), Micic (J.U.S.T.), Panther (Hak.), Murney (L), Smart (L), Salisbury (J), Thomson (J), 12.

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Last week SOCCER NEWS presented an exclusive story with former Melbourne coach Jim Adam where he discussed the motives behind his replacement as coach. This week Adam takes the opportunity to express his views on the recent lecture tour by F.I.F.A. coach Dettmar Cramer and on the whole concept of soccer coaching . . .

'Coaches must have been well schooled themselves'

'Players must be prepared to accept discipline'

'Dettmar Cramer is a model for all aspiring coaches'

'All those words make your head swim'

'Tips on fancy ball work are of little use to the professional'



Jim Adam . . . at the height of his playing career.

Coaching a soccer team successfully in Melbourne's State League must be one of the most difficult jobs that one could attempt to do.

There have been a number of coaches in Victoria recommended by F.I.F.A. and who by all appearances didn't find the success over here that their reputations warranted.

I have no doubt, however, that under different circumstances, many of these same coaches would be fairly successful here, or in other parts of the world.

Before any reasonable assurance of success can be attained, it is wise to plan and prepare your view of what success means, and how you are going to accomplish this complex task.

There is no magic formula to guide the aspiring coach, though he must serve a wide and comprehensive apprenticeship.

There are few things in soccer that are black or white . . . only grey with a lot of other shades in between!

Coaching a soccer team successfully cannot be logically assessed by most people because of the many conflicting factors involved.

Certainly not just because a team wins the State League pre-

miership should a coach be considered successful, particularly if the club concerned has spent a large amount of money to acquire new players and has therefore literally bought success.

Discipline

There are many more important things to be considered.

There is the question of behaviour and discipline among the players.

Do, they, as individuals, and as part of a team, contribute to the limit of their ability towards the success of the club, on and off the playing field.

If the answer is in the affirmative, then you are on your way towards achieving success.

I have spoken to Dettmar Cramer, one of the top F.I.F.A. coaches in the world, and there is no doubt about his ability to coach successfully.

The qualities I liked about this man are numerous, but his genuine honesty when speaking, his humility even though he is recognised as a top man in his field, his response and good humour when coaching young players, his knowledge and dedicated views when handling and talking

to senior players, is a guide to all.

Despite all of these admirable qualities, I honestly believe that if Dettmar Cramer offered his services to a Melbourne State League club, then even he would find difficulty in being recognised as a genuine and dedicated coach.

Cramer would be the first to admit that lecturing and giving ball-juggling sessions is one thing, and if you can do it successfully like he can, then all to the good, but its value in bringing success to a soccer club has little to commend it.

Throughout the soccer world there are many good talkers enjoying the status of prestige positions and some do the job quite well.

Confusion

But they would rarely attempt, or for that matter be asked, to coach a professional soccer club because they have little to offer the professionals. Their theoretical and hypothetical know-

ledge, on the intricacies of modern tactical soccer, will leave your head swimming in confusion.

Although a feeling of awe and wonder will have pervaded your better sense through their use of words, the only value of the talks will be the hollow feeling you get, when you are faced with your own teams and innumerable problems that need solving.

Views

After many years of listening to these so-called qualified experts of soccer coaching, I have come to the conclusion that their only contribution to the progress of soccer, is in their attendance at, and their willingness to organise lectures and coaching clinics where they can air their own views.

Too many of these individuals could not pass a ball 20 yards with any accuracy. Ask them to chip a ball to a colleague running into a nominated space,

and they would have a fit, the knowledge of their practical incompetency would be expressed on their faces and in their poor performances.

Clinics

I am not advocating that we don't have talks, or that we don't have coaching clinics.

But let's put them into their true perspective as to their real value, and not get carried away with individuals who love to talk

about soccer, and would have you believe they know all of the answers.

Of course, we need the help of the genuine Dettmar Cramers of the soccer world and it would be a good idea if we could persuade him to offer his services for a few years.

He would lay a strong foundation of his conception of modern soccer, and perhaps teach our coaches to perform better at their job.



... And then I had Stan Matthews, sprained ankle, in 47 . . .

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MAN ON THE MOVE?

Almost certain to move before the league season starts, transfer-listed Alistair Scott, the Melbourne and Victoria defender, is seen here receiving congratulations from Filippo Bottalico the APFA (Sydney) captain after Melbourne won the Australian Cup in 1967. Scott was captain of Melbourne.

● Alistair Cook takes a close look at Victorian soccer's stars of today and tomorrow in his occasional series of —

Portraits of the players

★ MILENKO RUSMIR (Footscray J.U.S.T.).

Came to Australia to play for the Footscray side nearly seven years ago. A solid type of fullback who is fast in recovery, he has made a valuable contribution to his side all through his service. Played in J.U.S.T.'s title winning sides of 1963 and 1969 and was also a member of their Dockery and Ampol cup-winning teams of 1963 and 1966 respectively. Played with Sloboda Soccer Club in Yugoslavia before coming to Australia.

★ ALAN STENHOUSE (HAKOAH).

Came to Australia from Scotland seven years ago to join Hakoah and has been a regular first team player ever since. Equally at home in any of the halfback positions, he has also played at inside forward and no doubt if needed he would play his heart out in any position he was called upon to play. A member of the Hakoah side which won the Dockery Cup in 1966, he played professional soccer in Scotland for Motherwell and Cowdenbeath prior to joining Hakoah.

★ BILLY MCINTYRE (CROATIA).

A product of the Glasgow Juniors, he had a spell as a professional with Scottish First Division side Aberdeen before coming to Australia to join Croatia in 1965. Has played in almost every forward position and was the club's leading scorer in 1968 when they won the State League title and the Ampol and Dockery Cups. Returned to Scotland late in 1968 and rejoined Croatia late last season.

★ TOMMY ROSEWEIR (LIONS).

A product of Ayrshire junior soccer where he played with Whittlets Victoria and attracted the attention of senior scouts by his scoring feats. Joined Lions nearly five years

ago and for some considerable time was their regular centre forward and top scorer until he was drafted back in defence last year. Has now established himself as a fast hard hitting defender. Represented Victoria at centre forward three years ago.

★ DINO DI MARCHI (JUVENTUS).

Originally a junior with Hakoah but moved to Juventus when still in his teens. Until midway through 1969 when he was recalled to the side in a bid to bolster their striking power he had many "ins and outs" as a first team player.

Despite missing many of the games last season, he was Juventus leading scorer and his tally included a bundle of hat-tricks. At present the only Italian-born player in the Juventus senior side.

★ TOM STANKOVIC (J.U.S.T.).

Seems certain to lay claim to being the veteran of State League soccer — joined the Footscray side in April 1963 at almost the same time as Ivan Piki and Marko Pegovic

Played for O.F.K. and Beograd in Yugoslavia and in 1961 was voted outstanding winger. Three years ago he transferred to Makedonia, but rejoined the J.U.S.T. side last season.

Despite his age Stankovic is still one of the most talented players in State League soccer. His inch — perfect crosses and first-time shots are a treat to watch.

★ GEORGE KINNELL (Juventus).

One of the most experienced of the British brigade and one of the few who has been a real "big-timer" in both Scotland and England.

Joined Aberdeen from the Fife junior club, Crossgates Primrose, and gave great service to Aberdeen before being transferred for £27,000 in 1958 to Stoke City.

Serving the Potteries club well for many years he then moved to Sunderland and a spell with Oldham. A wing half, he can acquit himself well in almost any outfield position.

As I see it

by Mel Vasey

The highly competitive Bundesliga in West Germany is enjoying its cleanest and best disciplined season among players — ever.

Dr. Wilfried Gerhardt revealed this recently when he said no one expects trouble at any match in West Germany.

He said: "If a player is sent off he is suspended immediately until the next disciplinary committee meeting. If found guilty, he will be suspended from two to eight weeks depending on the extent of his offence."

The suspension is back dated.

For instance, a player found guilty of kicking or punching an opponent gets eight weeks even if it is his first offence. It is an automatic two-week suspension for ungentlemanly conduct.

IMMEDIATE ACTION

Says Gerhardt: "The system is very successful. No player has been kept waiting for more than two weeks if he has been sent off."

"Even if only one player is involved, we will convene a meeting to deal with him within two weeks of his being sent off."

Asked what happens to the suspended player who is found not guilty, he replied: "This has happened on one occasion. It was just too bad he had to miss games for his club."

Like Scotland, the Germans have scrapped the three-caution system

German discipline pays off with better football

but unlike Scotland they have not had a flood of cautions.

Says Gerhardt: "I think it is true to say that to have a player cautioned in Germany is very unusual."

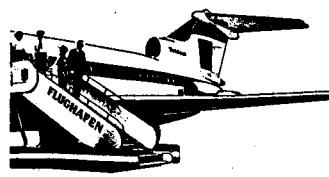
The fear of automatic suspension has made the Bundesliga one of the most disciplined leagues in world soccer. It has improved the standard of the game in Germany and it has the all-round approval of club officials and coaches.

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SOCCER QUIZ

By Alistair Cook

A weekly feature which will not only test your memory, but also rack your brains.

Score ten out of ten — and you're a genius. And if you score seven or over, you're a soccer marvel.

If you can top the halfway mark, class yourself as good. But if you answer less than three correctly, it's time you brushed up your knowledge of your favorite game by buying Soccer News regularly.

Here we go . . .

1. When Marshall Gibb made his debut for George Cross against Moreland one of his colleagues had the misfortune to break his leg in the same game. Who was the player who broke his leg?
2. Ian McDonald is well known as a professional boxer in Australia, and at one time he was on the books of a State League club. Name the club?
3. In 1950-51 an English League side played 30 league games without defeat, winning 21 games, drawing 7, scoring 68 goals, and losing only 17 in the process. Who were they?
4. England, the 1966 World Cup winners opened their program in the finals against whom? And what was the score?
5. Name the team manager and sole selector of the famous Hungarian national team in the 1949-56 era.
6. The following European clubs with double barrelled names have been jumbled: Moscow United, MTK Milan, A.C. Budapest, Spartak Leeds, West Albion, Bromwich Rovers. Sort out their proper names.
7. What is the maximum and minimum length and breadth of a soccer field under the laws of the game?
8. Who presented the Ampol Cup to the winners in 1968?
9. Name the youngest player ever to play for Scotland?
10. The last amateur player to play for England's national side was way back in 1936. He was later a well known name in professional soccer and played for Arsenal. Name the player?

• Now turn to Page 10 to see how you fared.

★ SOCCER SIDELINES ★

S.O.S. from George Cross

George Cross re-started training last week under new coach Kenny Pattison, ex Lions, minus three forwards who arrived last year and from whom they expect big things in 1970.

The missing trio are: Kevin Walker, a striker who played with Darlington;

Robin Hayward, an inside forward who was on the books of Coventry City;

Winger Mike Rogers, ex non-league club Runcorn United.

The club is desperately anxious to trace both Walker and Hayward, who may have changed addresses. If the pair should see this they are asked to phone either secretary Joe Bartolo, 396-2386, or president Lou Debono on 396-3570.

Mike Rogers, who has proved a discovery for Essendon Cricket Club Reserves in the past few weeks, was promoted to the first team last Saturday. However, it was not a copy-book debut for Mike, who was bowled for a duck.

Tommy Dockerty, recently sacked by Aston Villa, is reported to be considering an offer to take over as manager of a top Spanish club. Dockerty, who was manager of Chelsea during their tour here in 1965, was also team boss of Queens Park Rangers for a spell.

Polonia will hold its annual sports festival at Chirnside Park, Werribee, on Sunday, February 15. Clubs expected to compete for the Millennium Cup are Polonia (Vic.), Polonia (N.S.W.), Polonia (S.A.), Turners Eagles (A.C.T.), White

Eagles (Tasmania), and Metro. First Division team Keilor City.

Former George Cross wing half Tommy McPherson, who moved to J.U.S.T. in 1968 and was on loan to Box Hill last year, is keen to stay in State League soccer and intends having a talk with J.U.S.T. officials over his future prospects.

Lions newcomer winger Eddie Butler from Eire, who has shown promising form in training, is likely to get a first team outing soon.

Three former Runcorn United players are now with State League clubs. They are David Gorrie and Steve Russell, both with South Melbourne Hellas, and Mike Rogers, of George Cross. Runcorn, a non-league side in England, play in the Northern Premier League.

Expected to arrive for Melbourne soon is Gareth Yaar, a 22-year-old winger or inside forward who played with several league clubs in Northern Ireland.

Correction! Dino De Marchi is not Italian-born, as stated last week. Dino, who got the Juventus goal against Inter Bratislava, was born in Carlton.

The future of transfer-listed Alistair Scott, of Melbourne, still swings in the balance. Melbourne want a hefty four-figure fee for the defender, are unlikely to get

it, and may have to settle for a very good offer George Cross are prepared to make.

Polonia pair Josef Zurawski and Miroslaw Litwin, who have both been in dispute with the club over terms, are likely to move to Sydney and join Polonia N.S.W.

At least one State League club is interested in Milos Adamovic, the former OSK Belgrade winger who is transfer-listed by Footscray J.U.S.T. The club in question are concerned over their left wing problem, and are debating whether to make a bid for Adamovic.

J.U.S.T. had three local products in their side which narrowly defeated Hakoah. They were Milasavijevic in goal, Evans at full back and Mraticiewicz in attack.

Billy McArthur, the transfer-listed Croatia wing half, was all set to join Western Suburbs in Sydney until a last-minute hitch killed the deal. Hammy McMeechan, the former Croatia, Vic. and Australian forward, is with Western Suburbs.

Hakoah appear to have made a find in Dennis Panther, the 22-year-old wing half who was a youth player with Charlton, was on the books of Chelsea, then had a spell playing soccer in the Bahamas and a season with Orient.

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CROATIA
LIONS
POLONIA

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7.45 p.m. and 9.10 p.m.

ROUNDS 1 to 6 — 35 minutes play each way.

SEMI-FINALS and FINAL —
45 minutes play each way

RESULTS TO DATE:

Friday, January 9
J.U.S.T. 2, Wilhelmina 1. Polonia 2, Juventus 1

Friday, January 16
S.M.-Hellas 3, Hakoah 0. Lions 2, Croatia 2

Friday, January 23
J.U.S.T. 3, Hakoah 2. Juventus 3, Lions 0

Friday, January 30

CROATIA v POLONIA
WILHELMINA v S. M. HELLAS

Friday, February 6

LIONS v POLONIA
J.U.S.T. v S. M. HELLAS

Friday, February 13

CROATIA v JUVENTUS
WILHELMINA v HAKOAH

Friday, Feb. 20

Winner of Group 'A' v Runner-up of Group 'B'

Friday, Feb. 27

Winner of Group 'B' v Runner-up of Group 'A'

Friday, March 6

FINAL

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Uniteds grab cup wins



The crack Manchester United defence shows the brilliant understanding that has made the team such a threat in the 1970 FA Cup. Here the United goalkeeper Stepany dashes to cut out an Arsenal attack as Fitzpatrick (extreme right) comes to the keeper's aid.

League champions Leeds United crushed amateurs Sutton United 6-0 and Manchester United ousted holders Manchester City 3-0 in the glamour ties of the English Football Association Cup fourth round program last weekend.

Leeds, remembering their narrow third round escape against Fourth Division Swansea Town, were in no mood for charity against their lowly-rated opponents.

A capacity crowd of 14,000 filled Sutton's ground on the southern fringes of London, but their hopes of toppling the First Division giants were dashed as Leeds steamrollered to victory with goals by Allan Clarke (4) and Peter Lorimer (2).

Manchester United, reviving memories of two years ago when they won the European Cup, hammered neighbours Manchester City with goals from Brian Kidd (2), and a Willie Morgan penalty to gain revenge for their earlier League Cup defeat by City.

Wednesday slump

But other First Division clubs did not find it so easy. Biggest shock of the round was the 2-1 home defeat of Sheffield Wednesday, three times cup winners, by Fourth Division Scunthorpe United.

Second Division Watford

also joined the giantkillers by beating Stoke City 1-0, the winning goal coming from 18-year-old Colin Franks playing in his first Cup match.

Second Division Blackpool, who upset First Division Arsenal in the third round, were themselves humbled this time, losing 2-0 at home to Third Division Mansfield Town.

Chelsea, rated second cup favorites behind Leeds, led 2-0 against Burnley with goals by John Hollins and Peter Osgood, but were forced to a replay when Burnley centre-half Martin Dobson scored twice in the last 11 minutes.

Only four certainties

Powerful Liverpool trailed 1-0 at half-time to Fourth Division Wrexham, but second half goals by Bob Graham (2) and Ian St. John carried them through to the fifth round by a 3-1 margin.

Queens Park Rangers pulled off a fine 3-2 away victory in their all Second Division Cup battle with Charlton. Trailing 0-2 after only 20 minutes, Rangers roared to victory with goals by Rodney Marsh (2) and Frank Clarke.

Ten First Division clubs were knocked out in the third round and so far the only premier teams certain of a place in the fifth round draw are Leeds, Manchester United, Derby County and Liverpool, five matches were drawn and will be replayed next week.

While attention was focused on the Cup, Everton missed

their chance of regaining the First Division leadership. A goalless home draw with European Fairs Cup-holders Newcastle left Everton level with Leeds on 44 points, but behind on goal average.

Wolverhampton Wanderers moved into fifth place with a 2-0 victory over Ipswich Town, who sank further into relegation trouble, as did Sunderland, beaten 2-1 by Nottingham Forest.

Huddersfield Town moved four points clear at the top of the Second Division by beating fellow promotion challengers Cardiff City 1-0 with a seventh minute free kick by Jimmy Nicholson.

Fever hits Scotland

Top scorers of the day were Third Division Bradford City who slammed Bournemouth 8-1. Luton Town ended a run of four successive defeats by beating Bury 3-1 to regain the Third Division leadership.

Cup fever also gripped Scotland when 16 matches were played in the first round of the Scottish F.A. Cup. Biggest shock was provided by amateurs Inverness Caledonian, who won 5-2 away to second division Stranraer.

Cupholders Celtic won 2-1 against Dunfermline Athletic and Rangers, beaten by Celtic in last year's final, whipped Hibernian 3-1.

The Soviet Union's World Soccer Cup team was beaten 3-1 by Yugoslav club side Hajduk Split in a friendly match.

The teams were level 1-1 at half-time.

Morocco in draw

Morocco's World Cup team drew 1-1 with Slovan Bratislava of Czechoslovakia in a friendly match in Casablanca.

Morocco have been drawn in Group Four along with West Germany, Peru and Bulgaria in the World Cup finals in Mexico in May and June.

European Results

ENGLISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP FIRST ROUND

Blackpool 0, Mansfield Tn. 2
Charlton Ath. 2, Qns. F. R. 3
Carlisle Utd. 2, Aldershot 2
Derby County 3, Sheff. Utd. 0
Gillingham 5, P.borough U. 1
Liverpool 3, Wrexham 1
Man. Utd. 3, Man. City 0
Middlesbrough 4, York City 1
Suff. Wed. 1, Scunthorpe U. 2
Southampton 1, Leicester C. 1
Sutton Utd. 0, Leeds Utd. 6
Swindon Town 4, Chester 2
Tottenham Hot. 0, Qns. F. R. 0
Tranmere R. 0, Northam. T. 0
Watford 1, Stoke City 0

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

Everton 0, Newcastle Utd. 0
Nottingham F. 2, Sunderland 1
W. Hampton W. 2, Ipswich T. 0

ENGLISH DIVISION TWO

Huddersfield T. 1, Cardiff C. 0
Hull City 2, Millwall 1
Portsmouth 2, Oxford Utd. 1
Preston N.E. 0, Bristol City 1

ENGLISH DIVISION THREE

Barrow 2, Reading 2
Bradford C. 0, Bournemouth 1
Bristol Rovers 3, Torquay Utd. 1
Bury 1, Luton Town 3
Plymouth Arg. 0, R. Ham Utd. 3
Preston N.E. 1, Barnsley 1
Walsall v. Fulham postponed — ground waterlogged.

ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR

Brentford 1, Port Vale 0
Grimsby T. 0, Swindon T. 2
Oxford Ath. 0, Bradford 0
Southend Utd. 2, Notts City 5

ENGLISH DIVISION ONE

Leeds United 10 7 5 4 27 39
Everton 20 4 5 5 24 34
Chelsea 13 10 5 4 31 36
Liverpool 13 9 5 4 30 35
W. Hampton W. 12 11 6 4 33 35
Derby County 14 5 10 38 33
Stoke City 12 9 7 4 30 31
Manchester U. 11 8 4 1 30 30
Coventry City 12 8 5 38 30
Nottingham F. 8 14 7 38 43 30
Newcastle Utd. 11 7 10 32 33 29
Aston Villa 11 6 11 36 40 28
Tottenham Hot. 9 12 34 36 24
W. Brom. Albion 9 12 34 36 24
Sheff. Wed. 10 12 34 36 24
Bury 6 17 27 51 19
Ipswich Town 12 12 34 36 24
Sunderland 4 16 30 50 20
Crystal Palace 3 10 15 55 18
Sheff. Wed. 4 16 34 48 14

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Airdrieonians 5, Ham. Acad. 0
Albion Rovers 1, Dundee 2
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Celtic 2, Dunfermline Ath. 1
Dumbarton 1, Forth Ath. 2
Dundee Utd. 1, Ayr Utd. 0
East Fife 3, Raith Rovers 0
Falkirk 3, Thistle Rovers 0
Glasgow Rovers 3, Thistle 0
Montrose 1, Hearts 1
Morton 2, Qns. of the Stn. 0
Paisley 1, St. Johnstone 1
Rangers 3, Hibernian 1
St. Mirren 3, Stirling Alb. 0
Stranraer 2, Inverness Caled. 5

SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO

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Referee flees from angry Benfica fans

The Portuguese First Division soccer match between champions Benfica and Belenenses was abandoned after 42 minutes when 5,000 fans invaded the pitch after two Benfica players had been sent off the field.

Trouble began early in the match when Benfica's international centre-forward Jose Torres was sent off.

Then, in the 42nd minute, referee Joao Nogueira sent off a

second Benfica player, full-back Malta da Silva.

Fans then poured onto the pitch and clashed with baton-swinging police who attempted to clear the field.

Referee Nogueira raced for the dressing rooms to escape the fury of the Benfica fans, but fell down stone steps injuring a leg and arm.

Three policemen were also injured and one spectator was arrested.

There was no score when the match was abandoned.

Italy still on the defensive

Italian soccer is reputed to be mainly defensive to the detriment of attack. Facts prove this theory right.

In the first half of the current Italian major league season the total number of goals scored was 225 from 120 games — 49 goals less than the first half of the previous year.

Hibernians of Edinburgh have spent \$80,000 of the \$200,000 they received from Arsenal for winger Peter Marinello on replacement.

Hibs. beat Manchester City and Charlton Athletic for the signature of Arthur Duncan from Partick Thistle.

Roy Sproson, the Football League's longest-serving player, chalked up his 800th League and Cup appearance when he turned out for Port Vale against Exeter City.

Now aged 40, Sproson, the six-foot centre half or full back of Port Vale,

A new system of appointing referees for the World Cup Finals in Mexico will be in force this year.

In direct contrast to the practice in previous finals 18 of the 30 refs. are to come from non-competing countries.

In cans. Cans of film to be exact.

The Association has entered into agreement with the B.B.C. to market the films abroad, with the soccer body getting 60 per cent of the profits.

★ ★ ★

Dragoslav Sekularac,

loyalties lie when club and international duties clash, in a British publication recently.

The "Beatle Type" winger, now acknowledged as the greatest in the game, says his first obligation is to Manchester United, who pay him his wages each and every week of the year.

FROM ALL ANGLES

Compiled by
Alistair Cook

★ ★ ★
Brazil may be without their leading scorer — centre forward Tastoao of Cruzeiro — for their World Cup matches in Mexico. Tastoao injured his right eye so badly in a local game some time back that he has spent some time in the clinic of one of the world's leading eye surgeons in Houston, Texas. At this stage it's an odds-on shot Brazil will be minus sharp - shooter Tastoao, who scored 10 of their 23 goals in the World Cup qualifying rounds.

hopes to keep going in League soccer for at least another season and beat former England and Portsmouth half back Jimmy Dickinson's record of 764 appearances in English League soccer. Sproson turned professional with Port Vale in 1950 and was the inspiration of their side which made a clean sweep of the Third Division North in 1954.

Nine will come from countries which have qualified. Only three will be provided by the hosts — Mexico.

Previously the majority of refs. came from nominations by the sides competing and seven "neutrals".

★ ★ ★
The Scottish Football Association are getting into the export business — selling Scottish soccer

the brilliant but controversial Yugo-Slav international forward, now aged 32, is in Colombia, South America, playing for Santa Fe of Bogota.

"Seki" played his last club game in Yugo-Slavia for Etoile Rouge against touring side Racing from Buenos Aires, and was accorded a tremendous ovation at the end of the game.

Cec joined the Spurs as a full back from South Wales. After his playing days were over he stayed on as trainer — a post he held until this season. Now Cec looks after the club's medical rooms.

Goal nets in club colors. That's the latest fashion in Scottish pro. soccer.

Hearts have maroon and white, Rangers in blue and white. Wide panels run from the crossbar to the turf, and the fine mesh nylon would be almost invisible if it weren't for the two-tone design.

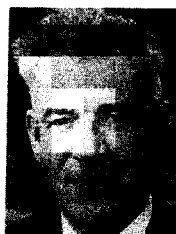
★ ★ ★
Edmondo Fabbri, the Bologna coach, recently suffered head injuries after being assaulted by three Italian fans. The assault took place after Fabbri drove off from the stadium after Bologna drew 1-1 with Roma.

★ ★ ★
John Talbot has been 10 seasons with West Bromwich Albion and has yet to score a goal. Still, he has a long way to go to beat the record of Wilf Milne, a Swansea star of the 1920-30 era. Wilf played 500 games before getting his first goal past the keeper.

★ ★ ★
Gornik Zabrze, the leading Polish club side, supplied eight players in Poland's World Cup side, which failed to make the finals.

★ ★ ★
George Best, Manchester United and Northern Ireland winger, made no bones about where his

★ ★ ★
David Halliday, one of the greatest centre forwards in British soccer in the 1930's and later manager of Aberdeen and Leicester City, died recently in an Aberdeen Hospital.



David Halliday

While he managed Aberdeen they won the Scottish Cup in 1947 and the Scottish First Division League title in 1954 — the only major honours in the club's history. Cecil Poynton has been with Tottenham Hotspur since 1922, and is still going strong.

★ ★ ★
El Salvador, which qualified for the World Cup Finals at their first attempt, is the smallest of the Central American Republics. El Salvador joined F.I.F.A. in 1938, has little more than two million population.

★ ★ ★
Top club sides in lesser - known soccer countries are:
Albania — Nedouri.
Finland — Turio,
Kuopio.
Luxembourg — Beggen, Luxembourg, Jeunesse.
Iceland — Rejkavik, Valstmann, Calur.

Up there, Cazaly!



The light-hearted preliminary to last Sunday's Rumanian game at Middle Park saw a combined side from Hakoah, J.U.S.T. and Hellas defeat Harry Beitzel's Galahs 9-7 in an entertaining match which proved to be a cross between Soccer, 'Rules and Gaelic football.

Relaxation to the "Laws of the Game" allowed players to catch any ball above shoulder height, and also abolish the offside rule.

This picture demonstrates the advantage Aussie Rules players have in leaping for high marks. Denis Panther watches Stewie McGee outreach Peter Milenkovic.

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World round-up

Club Corner

Weekly feature giving a brief close-up of the top clubs in world soccer.

INTERNAZIONALE

Formed in 1909 by a group of dissatisfied supporters and players of A.C. Milan. Merged with US Milanese as Ambrosiana Internazionale. Became Internazionale again in 1945.

Play at Stadio di San Siro, which they share with A.C. Milan and which is owned by the city. Won the European Cup two years in a row in 1964 and 1965, and World Cup winners the same years.

Outstanding manager has been Helenio Herrera. Top players for the club have been Giacinto Facchetti, Sandrino Mazzola, who was killed in the Superga air disaster, Giuseppe Meazza and Luis Suarez.

RACING (Buenos Aires)

Formed in 1905 jointly by Argentinians and French immigrants who had played for the Paris Racing Club, whose colors are still worn. In the early 1950's Racing basked in the favour of President Peron, and until recently were still paying back an indefinite loan given to them by his Finance Minister.

They adopted professionalism in 1931. Their ground can hold 100,000.

Won the 1967 World Cup club championship after a three-match battle with Glasgow Celtic. Famous players who have worn their colors include Ruben Bravo, Pedro Manfredini, Benitez Carceres and Humberto Maschio.

DUKLA

Formed in 1947 as ATK Prague by the Czech Government to provide a centre for footballers in the Czech Army. Named U.D.A. (Ustredni Dum Armady — Central Club of the Army) 1953, and Dukla 1956 after the village in the Carpathians where the Czechs fought so heroically against the Germans. Play at Juliska Stadium.

Dukla have been Czech champions many times since their formation, and were finalists in the Mitropa Cup in 1955.

Outstanding manager was Karel Kolsky, who played against England in 1937. Top players have been Jano Geleta, Jozef Masopust, Ladislav Novak, Svantopluk Pluskal and Rudold Kucera, who was compelled to retire from the game in 1963 with a grave head injury which left him permanently damaged.

CLYDE

Formed in 1877 in the Bridgeton district of Glasgow. Named after the famous river and its shipyards, which provided many of its early players.

Have won the Scottish Cup three times — in 1939, 1955 and 1958 — but have never won the First Division league title. Second Division champions three times. Original ground was Barrowfield Park, which had a spinning mill built on it. Since 1897 they have played at Shawfield, which has a capacity of 55,000.

Great players for the Clyde have been Danny Blair, George Herd and Tommy Ring.

MANCHESTER CITY

Formed in 1894 after their immediate predecessor Ardwick had gone out of existence through lack of funds. Ardwick had been formed in 1887 following the amalgamation of West Gorton and Gorton Athletic, the latter having been in existence since 1880.

Play at Maine Road, which is the biggest club ground in England and held 84,569 in a F.A. Cup tie against Stoke in 1934. Have won the F.A. Cup and been First and Second Division league champions several times.

Outstanding players include Wilf Wild, Eric Brook, Jimmy McMullan, Peter Doherty, Frank Swift (killed in the Manchester United air disaster when he was then a journalist) and Bert Trautmann, the German war-time paratrooper who played in the closing stages of the 1956 F.A. Cup Final with a broken neck.

SPORTING CLUB (Lisbon)

Formed in 1906; play at the Estadio Jose Alvalade. Original members of Portugal's First Division in 1934, and never relegated.

Have won the Portuguese Cup and League many times, and won the European Cup-Winners Cup in 1963-64, when they beat MTK Budapest in a replay after a 3-3 draw.

Outstanding players: Hilario da Conceicao, Fernando Mendes and Carlo Gomez.

RED STAR (Belgrade)

Formed in 1945 after the liberation of Belgrade by Yugo-Slavian students — a successor to the famous Jugoslavija club, who were champions in 1924 and 1925. Affiliated to Belgrade University.

Play at Stadion Crvena Svezda, reconstructed 1963-65 to include even a hotel. Stadium has capacity of over 100,000.

Red Star have won the Yugo Slav top league many times since their first win in 1950-51.

Famous players include Vladimir Beara, a spectacular goalie who was at one time a Ballet Master at Belgrade Opera; Boris Kostic, Rajko Mitic and Dragoslav Sekularac, whose Gipsy grandfather was, in his hey-day, one of the most brilliant and also one of the most temperamental players in Europe.

Wembley—before and after...

Pictured here on the right is Britain's most famous sports arena, the Empire Stadium, Wembley, doughnut-like with its fantastic roof providing shelter for all 100,000 spectators. Compare this to the picture below, in the days when many thousands stood exposed to Britain's savage elements



... THEY PUT ON THE LID

... Below is Wembley Stadium, graced with a super playing surface, but sadly lacking in spectator comfort. A £500,000 facelift in 1962-63 transformed it into one of the world's top football arenas.

The venue of the F.A. Cup Finals since 1923 and the principal home of the England national team, Wembley Stadium is neither a stadium solely reserved for football nor the property of the Football Association nor the home ground of any particular club.

It is the property of a limited company and is merely hired to the Football Association on certain occasions.

It was in January, 1922, that the Duke of York, later to become King George VI, cut the first turf to mark the beginning of the building of this great sports arena. It was completed in under a year at a cost of £750,000.

Some 250,000 tons of clay had to be dug out to form the bowl of the stadium and the stands and terraces were built with 25,000 tons of concrete, reinforced with 600 tons of steel rods.

The stands were erected



with 1,500 tons of steel girders and held together with over 500,000 rivets.

The F.A. Cup final between Bolton Wanderers and West Ham United was the first event to take place in the new stadium on April 28, 1923 — 126,047 people were officially admitted and total receipts were £27,776.

However, a conservative estimate of the number of people who entered the

stadium including those who had broken in puts the number at 150,000. It may have been nearer 200,000 according to some.

The first Wembley international match was between England and Scotland on April 12, 1924, and ended in a 1-1 draw.

In 1962-63, over £500,000 was spent transforming Wembley Stadium into the most up-to-date

sports arena in the world. A major operation was the erection of a new roof all the way around so as to afford complete protection to all the 100,000 spectators.

The inner apron of this roof is covered in fibre glass sheeting to allow maximum daylight to the playing pitch.

A spacious new press gallery to accommodate 250 and a new television gallery were also included in these improvements.

Prague and Apia in opening encounter

The 1970 Ampol Cup pre-season Sydney Soccer competition starts tonight when Prague meets Apia at the Sydney Athletic Ground.

The competition, worth \$5000, is the richest pre-season competition of any football code in Australia.

The points-scoring system is unique. Twelve points are awarded for a win, five for a draw, and as added incentive one bonus point is given for every goal scored.

For the first time since the competition began in 1957, the matches will be over 90 minutes, not 80.

This year, the matches will be played on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, and Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

Besides the normal venues, Wentworth Park and the Sydney Athletic Ground, matches will also be played on suburban grounds.

As in previous years, the 12 first division teams have been split into two groups, which are:

Group 1: Canterbury, Auburn, South Coast United, Prague, Apia, Yugal Ryde.

Group 2: Hakoah, Marconi, Croatia, Melita Eagles, Pan Hellenic, St. George-Budapest.

League expels colored team after fracas

LONDON. — A West Indian team has been expelled from its Sunday League amid suggestions of a plot against it.

The case has led to an appeal to the London FA and the intervention of Haringey Community Relations Council.

The Continental Football Club were involved in a fracas during a game in November.

Mr. Jeff Crawford, their president, said a white man ran on to the field after an incident between two players and attacked a black player.

"There was retaliation," he said, "and a bit of a free-for-all." A West Indian was sent off and the referee made a report.

The London F.A. fined the club \$21 and suspended a player for 42 days. Then the Camden Sunday Football League decided to expel the whole team.

Unbroken success

Until then the club had had an unbroken record of success, according to Mr. Crawford, gaining promotion to the first division of the league the season after joining it, and then promotion the season afterwards to the premiership division. At the time of the November incident, they had won five out of six games.

Mrs. C. Day, treasurer of the league, said her husband was assistant to its registration secretary as well as being secretary of the Kentish Town Football Club, the team Continental were playing when the incident occurred.

"When this matter was brought to the league committee, my husband was not allowed to participate in any way," she said, but agreed that she was present when the decision to expel the club was taken.

In sport racial differences between the sides did not make any difference, she said. In the league were Cypriots, Italians, Irish and others.

Mr. F. Sheridan, general secretary of the league, said that under its rules, Continental had committed misconduct.

Expulsion was not automatic, but that was the decision taken. He could not remember any previous expulsion.

"It was a very bad incident, the worst we have had," he said. "There was fighting and there was fighting with spectators."

"The referee said it was the worst thing he had seen in 10 years of refereeing. The opposing team had nothing to do with it."

Mr. C. W. Fuller, secretary of the London F.A., said that, irrespective of colour and creed, all teams were tried for all offences on the basis of the facts.

Continental have appealed to the London F.A. against their expulsion and other penalties.

Mr. Crawford said that the manager of a Cypriot team, approaching the club to sign some of their players, had said they might as well split up and "more or less" implied that there was a plot to split up the team.

But the manager, Mr. Nick Kyprianou, vigorously denied any knowledge of a plot.

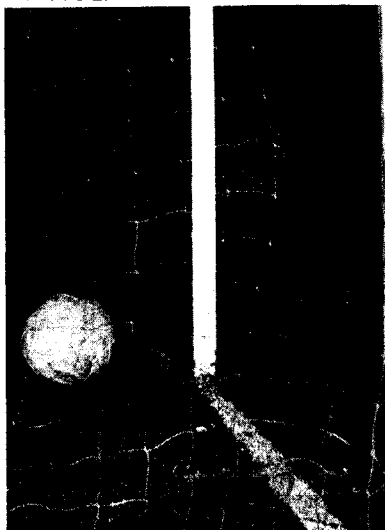
He had made approaches to the players merely to give them the chance of a game.

"I felt because they were coloured, nobody would even look at them and talk to them," he said.



NIGHT TO REMEMBER!

Friday was a night to remember for Hakoah goalkeeper Sandy Henderson. Playing against Footscray-J.U.S.T. in the third-round Ampol Cup game, he pulled out all the stops, as the top two pictures show. But three times he experienced that awful sinking feeling as the ball went past and into the net — and Hakoah were beaten 3-2.



QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Horst Zielinski.
2. Slavia
3. Burnley.
4. Uruguay, 0-0.
5. Gustav Sebes.
6. Moscow Spartak.

M.T.K. Budapest, A.C. Milan, Leeds United, West Bromwich and Albion Rovers.

7. 130 yard maximum, 100 yards minimum in length and breadth no more than 100 and no less than 50 yards. In international matches length should be no more than 120 yards and not less than 100 while the breadth should be no more than 80 and no less than 70 yards.

8. Mr. Billy Snedden, then Minister of Immigration and now Minister of Labour.

9. Dennis Law. He was 18 years and 238 days old when he was first capped for Scotland.

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Victorian Under 12s went interstate



This is the Victorian 1969 Under 12 team which made history by being the first to make an interstate trip when they went to Adelaide for matches in September.

Team members in the picture are (from left) standing: Harold Bauer, goalkeeper (Box Hill); Chris Hemstrom, forward (Melbourne); Viktor Kostromin, half (J.U.S.T.); John Szantho, centre-half (Melbourne); Arthur Kotaridis, forward (Sunshine City); Daniel Bozyk, full back (Sunshine Heights); Peter Laumets, goalkeeper (Altona); Louis Szantho, team manager. Kneeling: Samuel Skilling, wing-half (Vaverley); John Grima, full-back (Sunshine Heights); Zoltan Czaki, left-wing (Melbourne); Peter Murray, forward (Hellas); Ronald Verniers, full-back (Wilhelmina); Kevin McLeod, forward (Hellas); Duncan Cummings, forward (Melbourne); Joe Palmer, forward (Sunshine City).

Not in picture: David Davies (Bayswater); Zeljko Mihocek (J.U.S.T.) due to sickness, and coach Mr. Bill Curran.

The boys had mixed luck. At Hindmarsh Stadium on September 1 inexperience and excitement got the team started on the wrong foot, and they lost 0-3.

Two days later they had settled down, and at the same stadium under floodlights they put on an excellent performance to win easily 5-2. Christ Hemstrom (Melbourne) booted four goals, and Joe Palmer, one.

The Victorians drew their last game 1-1, Hemstrom again scoring the goal.

This first trip for the youngsters was a real success, Victoria finishing square with South Australia with one game won, one lost, one drawn and each side scoring six goals.

The Victorians had only two complaints. Battering young players is not very satisfactory; it makes it hard to control

the boys, which is essential for a good performance on the field.

And the rules are not uniform between states, which gives an advantage to the hosts.

The newly formed Australian Amateur Soccer Association should iron out the differences, such as the size of the ball for different ages, the duration of junior games, substitutes, and distances for corner kicks.

First prize dividends in the Treble Chance Pools for last Saturday will be paid on 22 points.

So anybody with such a line containing 22 points should be on top of the World this weekend.

There were only SIX scoring Draws and THREE score-less Draws, so it will be what price a record divvy in the top payout to those few lucky Pools' punters who have struck the jackpot.

Of the 16 English Cup ties there were five Draws — three scoring — and up the 16 Scottish Cup ties there was only ONE scoring Draw. The other three draws were spread out over the lists so the perm punters will not be too happy with the results, hence the expected top dividends.

The balance of the coupons was made up of 15 Aways and 28 Home winners. There were a number of these matches barred on the Four Aways and Eight and Nine Results Pools so they should pay reasonably good.

For instance, the big shocks of the F.A. Cup were the defeats of Blackpool by Mansfield, and Sheffield Wednesday by Scunthorpe United, but these two matches were barred from the Four Aways and Eight and Nine Results Pools on the Vernons coupons. That was something I could not understand the Pools company doing. However, this action certainly misfired.

If there were no surprise results and every team

played according to form, there would be no use in entering the Pools, but we all live and learn.

Here are the dividends in sterling currency for Saturday, January 17, when there were 12 scoring Draws and five score-less ones.

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Treble Chance Pool: 24 points, £1551/4/- for 1d; 23 points, £57/15/-; 22 points, £5/12/-; 21 points, £1/6/-; 20 points, 4/-.

Twelve Match Results Pool: 12 correct £472/4/- for 2d; 11 correct £14/8/-; 10 correct £1/-/-.

Three Draws: 24/-; Nine Results: 424/-; Four Aways: 1028/-.

For NEXT SATURDAY WEEK, FEBRU-

Taffy's Tips for the POOLS

ARY 7, you may notice in these tips to you that all the matches are League games, I have done this because the draw of the fifth round of the F.A. and Scottish Cups will not be known at time of going to press, also all the results of the replays will not be known until after your Soccer News will be on sale.

Halifax Town v. Walsall, Reading v. Leyton Orient.

Now for the big money with those elusive eight Draws, here are my selections, but don't forget the Cup ties when you receive your delayed coupons because of the draw early this week in London and Glasgow. Remember, post early.

TREBLE CHANCE POOLS

Arsenal v. Stoke City, *Crystal Palace v. Burnley, *Southampton v. Sheffield Wednesday, Oxford United v. Hull City, *Brighton v. Shrewsbury Town, *Halifax Town v. Walsall, *Reading v. Leyton Orient, Southport v. Bury Town, *Crewe Alexandra v. Exeter City, Darlington v. Grimsby Town, *Newport County v. Peterborough, Notts County v. Chesterfield, *Workington v. Southend United, Kilmarnock v. Dundee United, *Indicates best selections.

Till next week, Good Luck, punters.

TAFFY.

EIGHT and NINE RESULTS

*Manchester City, West Ham United, *Blackburn Rovers, *Blackpool, Bristol City, Fulham, *Luton Town, Rochdale, *Torquay United, Port Vale, *Swansea Town, Airdrieonians, *Dunfermline, Hibernians, Rangers, St. Johnstone.

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○ Juniors started here fifty years ago

Junior soccer competitions have been held in Victoria since soon after the First World War.

Junior officials are searching old records, which are not plentiful. So far they have learnt that Nobel (I.C.I.) and Footscray Thistles were prominent in those early days.

The Under 15 competition was very popular, with from eight to 12 teams competing.

The late Mr. J. J. Liston donated a cup for this age group, which is still an important Juniors trophy, and was won by Wilhelmina last year.

The influx of European migrants after World War 2 benefited junior soccer from 1953 onwards.

In that year Polonia for the first time had a junior team in the Under 17 division, which finished the season in seventh place, 11 points behind Brighton, the champions of the division.

There were three real junior divisions in Victoria in 1953 — under 14, under 15 and under 17.

Sunshine City won the under 15 league and cup, and Box Hill the under 14 league and cup.

Thirty-two junior teams, with 450 registered players, played during the 1953 season.

Last year in the Melbourne metropolitan area there were about 150 junior teams, with 2250 players registered.

Those application forms are late!

Only 40 application forms for junior teams were received on time — January 21 — at Soccer House.

And only one new club — Mount Waverley — has applied for membership so far.

Old clubs must be prompt with their applications, which provide the information for the fixture committee to arrange matches for the coming season.



"There's one thing about Cyril—he knows how to take a penalty."

It's Battling Billy in action



It was non-stop soccer at Middle Park on Sunday afternoon, when Billy Rice, the Footscray-J.U.S.T. defender, was a member of the combined Victoria side which took on the visiting Rumanian tourists. Rumania won 6-1, but it was not through any lack of

effort on the part of "Battling Billy", as these pictures show. Above, he gets the ball away under the watchful eye of Argus Medallist John O'Neill (Hakoah); and below, it's a fearsome tackle on a Rumanian player.



SUBSTITUTE'S HAT-TRICK AXES NAPOLI

Ajax Amsterdam, beaten finalists in last season's European Cup, charged into the European Fairs Cup quarter-finals.

Substitute Ruud Suurendonk grabbed an extra-time hat-trick to destroy Napoli during the match in Amsterdam.

own ground by Karl Zeiss Jena (East Germany), who won 4-0 overall.

The quarter-final draw for the Fairs Cup will be made in Zurich.

Napoli, defending with typical Italian expertise, confined Ajax to a single goal by Sjaak Swart during the 90 minutes of normal time.

With Napoli having won the first leg of this third round tie 1-0, the overall score was deadlocked.

But Suurendonk shattered Napoli's hopes of surviving by slamming three goals in extra time to give Ajax a 4-0 victory and a 4-1 aggregate triumph.

Crashed

Ujpest Dosza (Hungary), beaten finalists in the Fairs Cup last year, crashed out of the competition when beaten 3-0 on their

Witch doctor is bad medicine

LUSAKA (Zambia). — A footballer may lose his job because his medical certificate was signed by a witch doctor.

Godfrey Chitalu, 26-year-old captain of Kitwe United Soccer team, gave the certificate to his employers, Kitwe City Council, after he had been ill.

But the council declared it invalid and demanded one from a proper doctor.

Godfrey said: "The witch doctor cured me. If I consult a proper doctor, the complaint will flare up again."

"This is an ailment unknown to ordinary doctors and it is obvious that only a witch doctor can help me."

"When I was first ill, I did go to an orthodox doctor but he could do nothing."

"If the council does not change its attitude, I will have to find another job."

SOCCER FIRST-AIDERS

Richmond prepare

Few may have heard of this behind-the-scenes organisation, which is making a valuable contribution to the game on a purely honorary basis.

Their aim is to provide enough properly trained first aid personnel at each soccer game. What may be their only course for 1970 starts on February 1 at the Hakoah junior clubrooms at Middle Park at 10.30.

The course will last approximately four weeks and recruits should be over 16 who have no club connection and who can devote their full time to first aid while a game is in progress.

Interested? Then contact Alex Ross, Hakoah first-aid, on 69-1520.

Richmond, the former State League club which last year won promotion back to the First Division, has arranged three friendly games for next month:

February 8 v. Ferntree Gully; February 15 v. Frankston; February 21 v. Waverley.

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